GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Government of the Republic of Malawi
Ministry of Water Development and Irrigation

Shire Valley Irrigation Project (SVIP)

1. The Government of the Republic of Malawi has received financing from the African Development Fund / Nigeria Trust Fund to finance the Shire Valley Irrigation Project.

2. The principal objectives of this project are to:
   - Refine the water availability assessment by defining mitigation measures to the risk of occurrence of a series of dry years similar to the one documented beginning of the 20th century, and optimising the water resource allocation between the uses.
   - Assist the government in selecting the best technical and institutional options before developing the full feasibility (water allocation optimization, inclusion or not of Illovo Estate, with-without lining, etc.; stage 1);
   - Carry out additional investigations, prepare the detailed feasibility Study and assess the technical and economic feasibility of the project (stage 2), taking into consideration its phasing;

3. The project includes the following components:
   (i) Preparatory Studies
   (ii) Project Management

   (i) Preparatory studies will include the following:
       Technical Feasibility; Communications, Community Participation, Land Tenure and Resettlement Policy Framework (CCPLT&RPF); Agricultural Development Planning Strategy; Hydraulic Modelling; Dam Safety Panel; Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA); and Public-Private Partnership (PPP).

   (ii) Project Management will involve coordination of the studies given the large, complexity and interactive nature of the preparatory activities. This component will therefore be concerned with formation of Project Steering Committee (PSC), Project Consultative Committee (PCC) and formation / recruitment of Studies / Service Coordination Unit (SCU) to name a few.

4. Procurement of goods and/or works will be in accordance with the Bank's Rules of Procedure for the Procurement of Goods and Works. Acquisition of the services of Consultants will follow the Bank's Rules of Procedure for the Use of Consultants. Bidding documents are expected to be available in February 2014.

5. Interested bidders may obtain further information, and should confirm their interest, by contacting:

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